CURRENT VERSION OF THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims is the current version of the claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (previously presented): A polarizing film comprising a non-UV-treated stretched film containing iodine, wherein an absorbance of said polarizing film comprises an absorption peak A in a wavelength range of 550 to 650 nm and an absorption peak B in a wavelength range of 450 to 520 nm, and an absorbance characteristics ratio of (absorption peak A/absorption peak B) is no more than 1.5, wherein the absorbance peaks are measured after arranging the polarizing film in a crossed Nicol.

2. (original): A polarizing plate comprising the polarizing film according to claim 1 and a transparent protective layer on one side or both sides of the said polarizing film.

3. (original): The polarizing plate according to claim 2, comprising a hard coating layer on an external surface of the transparent protective layer of the polarizing plate.

4. (original): The polarizing plate according to claim 3, the hard coating layer comprises a transparent particle in dispersed state.

5. (original): The polarizing plate according to claim 2, comprising an adhesive layer for adhesion with other members on one side or both sides thereof.

6. (original): The polarizing plate according to claim 2, comprising at least one of a retardation plate and a brightness enhanced plate.

7. (original): A liquid crystal display having a polarizing plate according to claim 2.

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21. (previously presented): The polarizing plate according to claim 3, comprising an

adhesive layer for adhesion with other members on the hard coating layer.

22. (previously presented): The polarizing plate according to claim 21, comprising at least one of a retardation plate and a brightness enhanced plate on the adhesive layer.

23. (previously presented): The polarizing plate according to claim 2, wherein the thickness of the transparent protective layer is from 5 to 200 μm.

24. (previously presented): The polarizing plate according to claim 2, wherein the transparent protective layer contains transparent particles selected from the group consisting of inorganic fine particles made of silica, alumina, titania, zirconia, tin oxide, indium oxide, cadmium oxide, antimony or oxide, and organic fine particles made of a cross-linked or non-cross-linked polymer.

25. (previously presented): The polarizing plate according to claim 5, wherein the adhesive layer comprises at least one of an acryl series polymer, a silicone series polymer, polyester, polyurethane, polyamide, polyether, fluorine series polymer, and rubber series polymer.

26. (previously presented): The liquid crystal display according to claim 7, wherein the polarizing plate comprises a hard coating layer on an external surface of the transparent protective layer.

27. (previously presented): The liquid crystal display according to claim 26, wherein the hard coating layer comprises a transparent particle in dispersed state.

28. (previously presented): The liquid crystal display according to claim 7, wherein the polarizing plate comprises an adhesive layer for adhesion with other members on one side or both sides thereof.

29. (previously presented): The liquid crystal display according to claim 7, wherein the

polarizing plate comprises at least one of a retardation plate and a brightness enhanced plate.

30. (previously presented): The polarizing film according to claim 1, wherein the absorbance characteristics ratio is no more than 1.4.

31. (previously presented): The polarizing film according to claim 1, wherein the absorbance characteristics ratio is no more than 1.3.

32. (previously presented): The polarizing film according to claim 1, wherein the absorbance characteristics ratio is no more than 1.2.

33. (previously presented): The polarizing film according to claim 1, having a stretching ratio of no more than 50%.

34. (previously presented): The polarizing film according to claim 1, having a stretching ratio of from 1 to 20%.

35. (previously presented): The polarizing film according to claim 1, having a stretching ratio of from 2 to 10%.

36. (previously presented): The polarizing film according to claim 1, having a thickness of 5 to 80 μm.

37. (previously presented): A polarizing film having an absorbance comprising an absorption peak A in a wavelength range of 550 to 650 nm and an absorption peak B in a wavelength range of 450 to 520 nm, and having an absorbance characteristics ratio (absorption peak A/absorption peak B) of no more than 1.5, wherein the absorbance peaks are measured after arranging the polarizing film in a crossed Nicol, and wherein a retardation of the film measured using a light having a wavelength of 900 nm does not exceed 1100 nm.

38. (previously presented): A polarizing film according to claim 37, which is of a

transmission type.

39. (previously presented): A polarizing film according to claim 37, which is of a reflective type.

40. (previously presented): A polarizing film according to claim 1, wherein the stretched film is a wet stretched film.

41. (previously presented): A polarizing film comprising a stretched film containing iodine and having a stretching ratio of no more than 50%, wherein an absorbance of said polarizing film comprises an absorption peak A in a wavelength range of 550 to 650 nm and an absorption peak B in a wavelength range of 450 to 520 nm, and an absorbance characteristics ratio (absorption peak A/absorption peak B) is no more than 1.5, wherein the absorbance peaks are measured after arranging the polarizing film in a crossed Nicol.

42. (previously presented): The polarizing film according to claim 41, having a stretching ratio of from 1 to 20%.

43. (previously presented): The polarizing film according to claim 41, having a stretching ratio of from 2 to 10%.